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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the SR-531 Trail project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Arlington, located at 154 West Cox Ave, Arlington, Washington, 98223. The funding would be used for the construction of a 12-foot wide multi use trail along the north side of state highway SR-531 from 67th Ave to SR-9. This trail alignment borders a high-density residential development and will provide a safe pathway for pedestrians and bicycles where currently none exists.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project would build a non-motorized pathway along a section of SR-531 that is a heavily traveled (16,000 vehicles per day), two lane rural roadway. Large sections of this roadway currently have no sidewalks, forcing pedestrians and bicyclists to walk in the roadway or on the roadway shoulder.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 U.S.C 133.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Suzan K. DelBene Member of Congress